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COMPO-BOARD walls and ceilings are ideal from every standpoint.

Strength. They have actually held buildings together in California earthquakes.

Durability. In houses lined with Compo-Board twelve to thirteen years ago, they are still in good condition. Fire Resisting. They will hold a fire in check long after a plaster wall would crumble.

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Beauty. Their smooth surface is easily and artistically decorated by any method; you don't have to panel Compo-Board walls, unless you desire.

Economy. Cheaper than lath and plaster, "Wall Boards," or substitutes in the long run. "Wall Boards," or substitutes in the long run.

Free Sample and Booklets Tell the Whole

Story—tell the unique construction of CompoBoard that gives it all these advantages, give
letters from hundreds of users in evidence of
these claims, tell of the many other uses of
Compo-Board besides a wall lining. Write for
this interesting matter. It's worth while.

Compo-Board is sold in strips four feet wide
and one to eighteen feet long by dealers in
most every town.

Furniture, incubator, novelty and other manufacturers have found Compo-Board the ideal material for many purposes.

### Northwestern Compo-Board Company

4304 Lyndale Ave. N., Minneapolis, Minn.

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gentleman from Geneseo and left him to fight out the dreary battle by himself. Two hours later, when Sam had escaped the conversational clutches of the man from Geneseo, he sought out his two friends, rapped Carmichael on the head with his pipe, and observed heatedly:

"That wasn't a man you fellows introduced me to. He's the Human Interroga-

tion Point!"

THERE was brought up on the floor of the House one afternoon a bill regulating the liquor traffic, and immediately a man famous for the size and redness of his nose withdrew to a far corner of the Democratic cloakroom and began to ponder how he should vote. When he was sitting on a couch, bowed down as if by the weight of vears and by the woes of generations, one of his colleagues tiptoed up and took a good look at him.

Then the colleague returned and made this report to a group of Democrats:

"It's a shame to bring up that bill and make that fellow vote on it. He's over there as white as death. It's the first time I ever knew that he had been born with a white nose."

#### **GOLDEN BOOTIES**

BABY'S first shoes are as much of an event in the nursery museum as Baby's first tooth. The latest trick of science is to preserve the shoes in gold; not merely a cast of them, but actually to transform the shoes themselves into solid gold. Owing to the price of gold, it isn't a fad that will sink much below the automobile level of society; but silver or copper are quite as nice and much cheaper.

The process is simple enough. The shoe is soaked in a solution of graphite until every fiber is a conductor of electricity. It is then transferred to the electroplating bath, and in the course of a few hours every atom of graphite has been displaced by an atom of pure gold. The process is so delicate that the grain of the leather, even the marks where the pink toes have stamped their imprint, is perfectly reproduced in the precious metal. And when the task is finished and the shoe comes out of the laboratory the parent has a keepsake that will not tarnish nor rust nor tempt a hungry mouse.

One bank president in New York has had the first shoes of his four children "mineralized" in this way, and the golden booties are the most conspicuous objects in the nursery

The idea is not new, except as applied to shoes. Mineralized flowers, in which the most delicate petals, stamens, and pistils are transformed into gold or silver, have long been a scientific curiosity.

The average baby shoe will take two ounces of gold, worth about forty-two dollars. Any good electrolytic chemist can do the trick after a little experimenting, and what he may charge for the job is something to be arranged beforehand.

Copper is a good substitute for gold, and takes on wonderful shades with age. The actual metal would cost only a few cents; and silver would not run much above a dollar a shoe.

### AN ODOROUS TRANSACTION

THE exacting regulations of the customs service bear heavily on the American returning from a trip abroad. The man or woman who cannot find more than the legal limit of one hundred dollars to invest in trinkets, presents, and various personal articles of apparel is rare. To be held up like a criminal and be forced to discuss with inquisitive custom inspectors the value of every little article in one's baggage is vexatious. So people frequently resort to subterfuge.

A man who had been in Siberia on business had an opportunity to buy there at very reasonable rates some beautiful sable skins. He decided that it was too good a chance to make his wife a desirable gift to be over-looked; so out of hundreds of skins he selected a dozen of great beauty. On reaching New York he sought the cooperation of several men friends, and each of them slipped a skin or two down the legs of his trousers, tying them with twine to his suspenders to prevent them from dropping too far. It was a hot day, and as they stood about on the pier waiting to be passed by the customs men the skins got warm and smelled villainously. Finally, passed by the inspectors with their baggage, they hastened to a place where in seclusion they could remove the sable skins and turn them over to

Later the latter told the house that was to make them up of his ruse and was considerably startled when the manager said, "That was a good deal of trouble to take with an article that is not dutiable.'

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